

December 6, 2024

Wildcat Families,

We hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving surrounded by family, friends and good food! This time of year is a special opportunity to reflect on what we are grateful for, and we are thankful for the chance to partner with each of you in your child's education.

We are so proud of our fourth grade chorus students! This is the first year that fourth grade students are able to participate in chorus, and we are excited to see how this new program will continue to grow. Wednesday was their first chorus performance and their voices filled the room with energy and joy. It was clear our students and Mr. Orr put a lot of effort into learning their songs and working together as a group!

Next Tuesday, our 5th and 6th grade chorus students will take the stage! We look forward to hearing their medley of holiday songs!

As we move into December, the coldweather is settling in. Please remember to send your children to school dressed appropriately for the season. Hats, gloves, and warm coats are essential for staying comfortable during outdoor activities. We aim to go outside as often as possible, even on chilly days, so bundling up is key! Please make sure you label those coats, hats and gloves. Our lost and found pile typically grows significantly during the winter.

It's hard to believe that there are just three short weeks until winter break! During this busy month, we will continue focusing on learning

while also enjoying some festive moments as a school community. To get the Holiday spirit going, our teachers were asked to show off their creativity with a Holiday door decorating contest. To say we're impressed is quite an understatement! [WILSON DOOR DECORATING](#)

Have a great weekend!

Take care,  
Erin and Brian

## Building Information

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### Wilson Spirit Wear Shop is Open!

Looking for the perfect holiday gift? Spread cheer and show pride with our school spirit wear! Support our school while gifting something meaningful this season. Check out this link: [SPIRIT WEAR SHOP](#)



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## **Cold Weather Recess Guidelines**

Recess is a healthy and important part of the school day for our Wildcats. We want our students to have the opportunity to run and play outside whenever possible, even when it's cold. Therefore, please make sure children are coming to school prepared to spend time outside with coats and hats (label everything). We will adhere to the district guidelines when determining whether or not it's too cold to be outside.

- **Outside Recess** → If the temperature is above 20 degrees and the wind chill is above 15 degrees.
- **A Brief Recess** → When the wind chill is between 5 – 15 degrees, children have a choice to go outside for no more than 10 minutes.
- **Inside Recess** → When snow covers the blacktop, and/or when the temperature is less than 20 degrees and the wind chill is less than 5 degrees, children will have indoor recess.

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## **Spirit Week: December 16-20**

Our 6th Grade leaders worked to organize a spirit week for the week of December 16-20. Please consider participating in a little holiday fun before break!

- Monday: Holiday Headwear
- Tuesday: Holiday Character
- Wednesday: Winter Wonderland Wednesday

- Thursday: Red vs. Green (there is a link on the slide for HR teachers to fill out to count the colors, please complete on Thursday)
  - Friday: Cozy Day
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### **Wilson Yearbooks On Sale Now!**

Please see the information below for instructions on how to order your Wilson yearbook for the 24-25 school year!

[Yearbook Flyer](#)

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### **Wilson Spring Musical: Finding Nemo, Kids (Audition Link Added Below)**

We are excited that our Wilson students in grades 1-3 have the opportunity to participate in the production of *Finding Nemo, Kids* this spring. Auditions will be Tuesday, December 17 after school in the music room. Rehearsals are Tuesdays, 3:45- 5:00 pm January 7 - March 11

The show is the week of March 16.

More information and a link to sign up is coming soon!

[Finding Nemo, Kids Flyer](#)

[Finding Nemo Kids Audition LINK](#)

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### **Support during the holidays**

As the season of celebrations and holidays approaches, Wilson is partnering with 9United, a local service organization, to

provide students with opportunities to benefit local families. If Wilson or 9United would be able to provide assistance through clothing, gifts, or family needs, please contact me [Erinstorer@foresthills.edu](mailto:Erinstorer@foresthills.edu) or Jean Bode, school counselor, at [jeanbode@forsthills.edu](mailto:jeanbode@forsthills.edu) to have a confidential conversation about how we can assist you.

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**Counselor's Corner: Jean Bode, [jeanbode@foresthills.edu](mailto:jeanbode@foresthills.edu)**

Wellness Theme for November: **Having a Positive Attitude through Gratitude**

November's Wellness theme is having a positive attitude. One major way to develop a positive attitude is through gratitude. The act of expressing gratitude is a powerful habit to start in elementary school. [Keep reading for ideas...](#)

See attached flier from our community partner, Child Focus for their upcoming Sensory Santa event at the Mt. Orab office that will cater towards children with sensory needs. This will give children the opportunity to meet Santa in a quiet and low stress environment.

 Child Focus Sensory Santa

**Just ask!** Please reach out to me if I can do anything for your family.

Anything else I can do? Just ask! Smiles 😊 Jean Bode  
[jeanbode@foresthills.edu](mailto:jeanbode@foresthills.edu)

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## **Restaurant Nights**

Join us for dinner and support of the Wilson PTO. Don't forget to mention WILSON!

Tuesday, Dec. 10 : NVT Pizza & Brew @ 4pm - 8pm

Monday, Dec. 16 : Raising Cane's @ 2pm - 9pm

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## **Before / After-School Enrichment Programs**

COMING IN JANUARY:

- Spanish Club: Another chance to learn about the language and culture!
  - Pottery Wheel: Join for an opportunity to make your own pottery!
  - Stitch & Sew: Learn the basics of sewing!
  - Pickleball / Tennis: A new opportunity to learn the basics of both racquet sports!
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## **GET READY TO BOWL!**

Wilson Bowling Club 2024-2025

8 Week Session: Thursdays, 4:15 - 5:30 pm

February 20th - April 17th

Where: Cherry Grove Lanes, 4005 Hopper Hill Road

Who: ALL Wilson Kids

Bumper Bowling: K - 3rd Grade

Regular Bowling: 4<sup>th</sup> - 6th grade  
Cost: \$75.00

This is a Wilson Elementary PTO-sponsored event.  
Registration and payment are due by February 7, 2025 or until spots are filled.

[Click the Bowling Club Flyer for more information](#)

[CLICK HERE to register](#)

Payment can be made via credit card through the Store tab in Membership Toolkit

[Click HERE to pay for Bowling Club 2024-2025](#)

Once payment is received and teams are finalized, parents will be contacted by email to confirm enrollment and team placement.

Questions? Contact Tracy Tekulve ([tracytek3@gmail.com](mailto:tracytek3@gmail.com), 513-307-1939)

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### **Art Room Volunteers**

Please sign up to help with clay projects in the art room for students in kindergarten through 2nd grade the week of November 18th. Mrs. Fender needs help with carving names into projects, handing out materials, and just supervising the students with clay.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0844AEAB2EABFD0-52761559-wilson>

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## **Innovation Lab (iLab) Volunteer Opportunities**

We do STEM related Lessons and Check Out Books, too. Please use this link to reserve your spot! [iLab Sign Up Genius Link](#)

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## **Wilson Lunch Menus for December**

Please see the link to view the lunch menus for each month. [Wilson Elementary Lunch Menus 24-25](#). We have also included the November lunch menu below. [December Menu](#)

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## **Wilson Lunchroom Volunteers**

We LOVE having volunteers help out in our cafeteria. It is our expectation that you remain in the designated area for which you are volunteering. For example, if you are volunteering in the cafeteria, please do not walk to your child's classroom or peek into a unified arts class to see what your child is doing. We appreciate your help with this.

Below is the lunchroom volunteer sign-up link for August and September.

- [December Lunchroom Volunteer Sign-Up](#)
  - [January Lunchroom Volunteer Sign-Up](#)
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## District Information

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**Camp Kern - 5th Grade** - There will be a parent meeting on **Tuesday, February 4th at 7 pm** at NMS. Details about the May trip will be shared and there will be an opportunity for parents to ask questions. Your 5th grader will come home with a suggested packing list this week. This may be helpful as sales are hitting the stores, or you're looking for a few gift ideas throughout the year.

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### **Register for the Science and Innovation Fair**

[Click here](#) to learn more about the event and how to register a project! Deadline to register is Dec. 13 and the fair is open to students K-12. Parents and teachers interested in judging should [click here](#) - no experience required.

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### **SHOP & SHARE COMMUNITY SHOPPING NIGHT 12/11**

We are so grateful for your help, but there are still more FHSD Shop & Share "Family Wish Lists" to fulfill. Please consider requesting a wish list by [clicking here](#). And don't forget to join us at the Beechmont Target for our community Shop & Share night on 12/11 starting at 4:00 to use our Coin War money to support our families.

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## **Forest Hills Foundation for Education**

Join us as we celebrate [giving back](#) in support of our Forest Hills community. Give \$20 in honor of a student and/or teacher that is special to you and they will receive a limited edition ornament as a keepsake of your acknowledgment. Make a lasting impact on their educational journey with your gift to the Forest Hills Foundation.

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## **Nagel Athletics Interest Survey**

Sixth grade families, please fill out these brief surveys if you are interested in learning more about these teams at Nagel!

- [Cross Country](#)
  - [Golf](#)
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## **Community Events**

You can also visit our [flyers webpage here](#) that has updates on other fun events and activities, including the following items:

- Anderson High School Orchestra's annual performance of The Nutcracker is Dec. 7! [See this flyer for details and tickets.](#)
  - [Child Focus Sensory Santa Event | By appointment December 14 | 9 a.m.-5 p.m.](#)
  - [Holiday Fairy Garden Workshop | December 20 | 5 p.m.](#)
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## **EMERGENCY AND SUPPORT RESOURCES**

- If you, your student, or anyone else you know is in a life-threatening health crisis or emergency, call 911.
- If you, your student, or anyone else you know is in emotional distress or experiencing a suicidal crisis, call or text 988, available 24/7.
- If you have concerns about threats to student safety, we urge you to call or text the Safer Ohio School Tip Line at 844-SaferOH. This line is staffed 24/7.
- If you are seeking additional resources, we encourage you to start at the links below:
  - [MindPeace](#)
  - [FHSD Family Resource List 22-23](#)

## Upcoming Events

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### **K-4 Unified Arts Friday Rotation**

Friday, December 13 will be a "Thursday."

Friday, December 20 will be a "Monday."

**Dec. 9**

**Dec. 10**

- Fifth & Sixth Grade Chorus Concert 6:00 pm in the Wilson Gym

**Dec. 11**

**Dec. 12**

**Dec. 13**